# International Space Station External Payload Accommodations





ISS Technology Demonstration Office Research Integration Office



### **International Space Station Facts**



Spacecraft Mass: 799,046 lb (362,441 kg)

Velocity: 17,500 mph (28,200 kph)
Altitude: 220 miles above Earth

Power: 80 kW continuous

Science Capability: Laboratories from four international space agencies -

US, Europe, Japan, and Russia

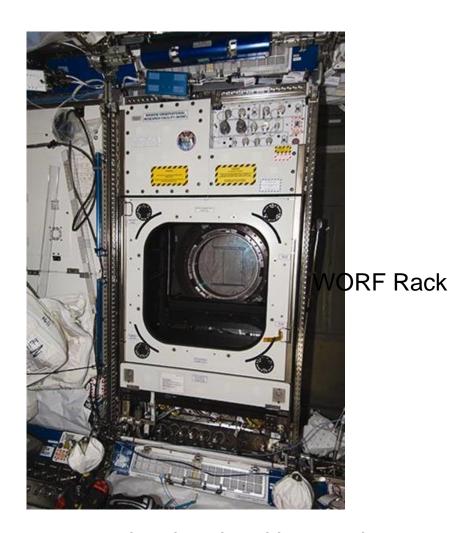


### Window Observational Research Facility (WORF)





US Laboratory Window
50-cm diameter
Telescope-quality optical glass
NADIR view



Facility to support visual and multispectral remote sensing using Lab Optical Window



## Windows on the Earth



Service Module Window 40-cm diameter NADIR view



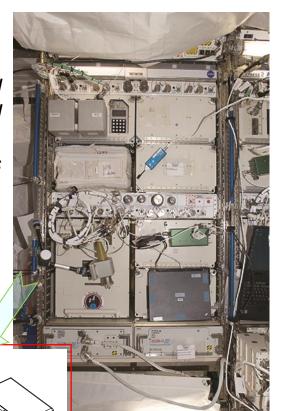


## ExPRESS Racks (Expedite the Processing of Experiments for SpaceStation)

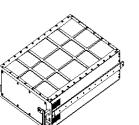


### **Middeck Locker Features** 4 rear captive fastener attachments Friction hinge Dual door locks Installation tool guides on 4 corners Weight – 12 lbs

Sub Rack size payload capability with standard utilities such as power, data, cooling and gases



#### International Sub rack Interface **Standard Drawer**



#### **Features**

- 4 PU (Panel Unit)
- Blind Connectors
- Locking Handles
- Weight 27 lbs
- Rated to at least 37 lbs

#### **EXPRESS 8/2 Configuration**

International Standard Payload Rack

Secondary Structure & Subsystems

8/2 Payload Configuration (8 Middeck Lockers, 2 Powered ISIS Drawers)





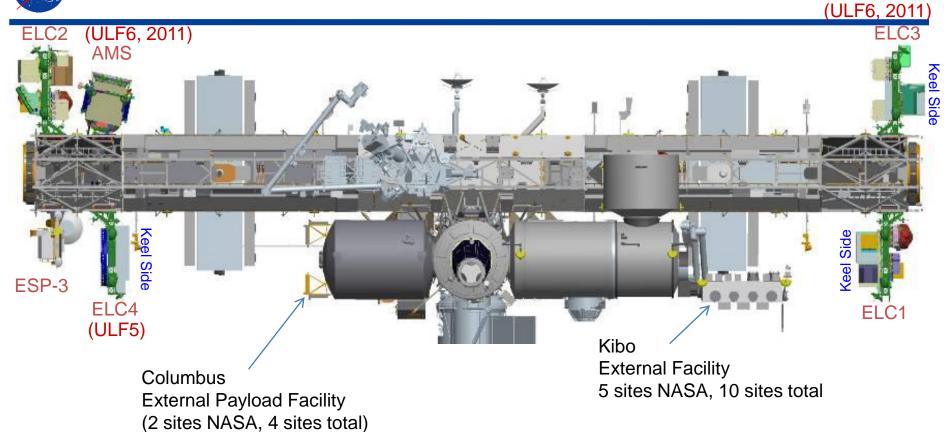
## **ExPRESS Rack Resources**

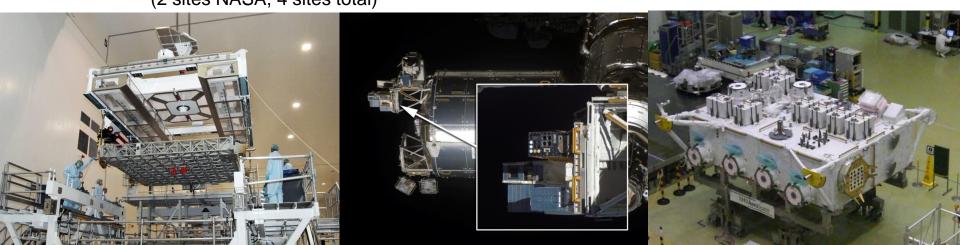
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System	Middeck Locker Locations	ISIS Drawer Locations	Rack-Level Accommodation	
System	Wilddeck Locker Locations 1515 Drawer Locations		Nack-Level Accommodation	
			8 Mid deck Lockers	
Structural	72 lbs. within cg constraints	64 lbs. within cg constraints		
			2 ISIS Drawers (4 Panel Unit)	
Power	28 Vdc, 0 – 500 W	28 Vdc, 0 – 500 W	2000 Watts 28Vdc power	
Air Cooling	≤ 200 Watts	<100 Watts	1200 Watts	
Thermal Control System Water Cooling	500 Watts (2 positions per rack)	500 Watts (2 positions per rack)	2 positions per rack	
Command and Data	RS422 Analog	RS422 Analog	RS422 Analog	
Handling	Ethernet 5 Vdc Discrete	Ethernet 5 Vdc Discrete	Ethernet 5 Vdc Discrete	
Video	NTSC/RS170A	NTSC/RS170A	NTSC/RS170A	
Vacuum Exhaust System	1 payload interface per rack	1 payload interface per rack	1 payload interface per rack	
Nitrogen	1 payload interface per rack	1 payload interface per rack	1 payload interface per rack	



#### International Space Station (ISS) External Research Facilities

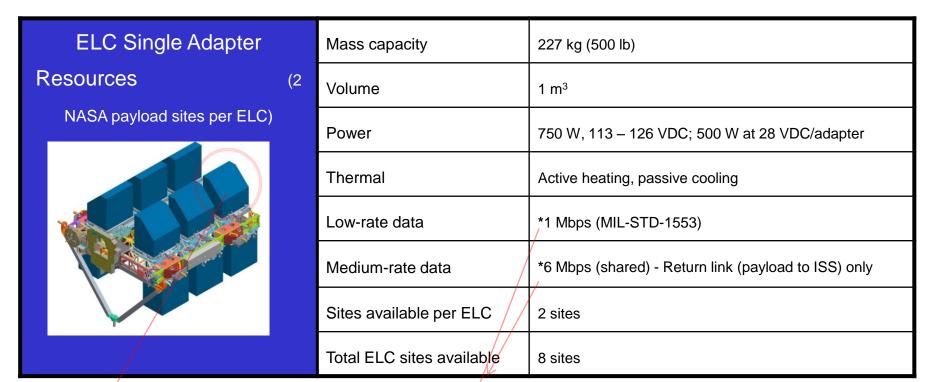




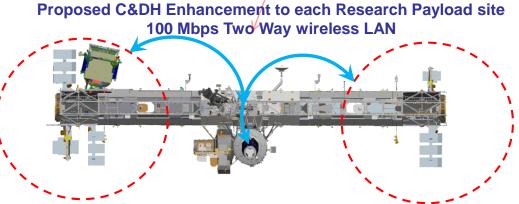


#### **External Research Accommodations**

#### **Express Logistic Carrier**



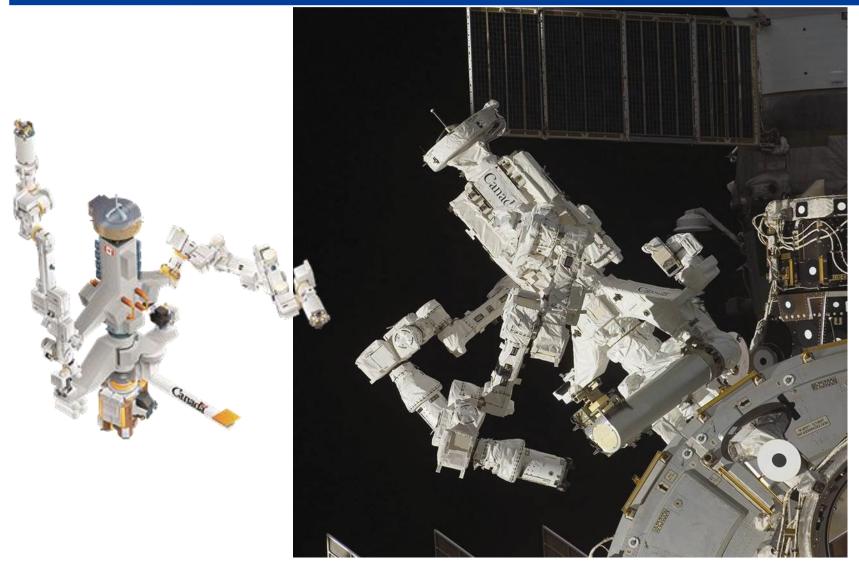
Research Payload ExPA (see next chart)





#### **Dexterous End Effector**





SSRMS attachment which the ground team or on-orbit crew can use robotically to install, remove and replace payloads and failed components



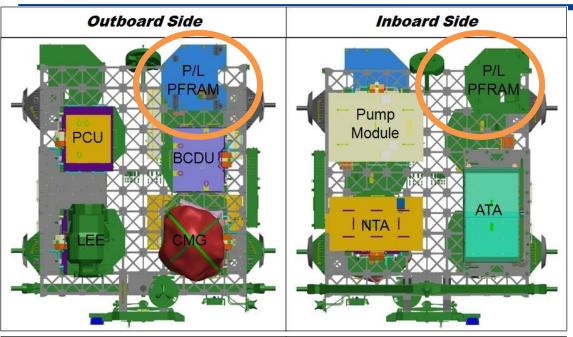
# JEM RMS Payload Support





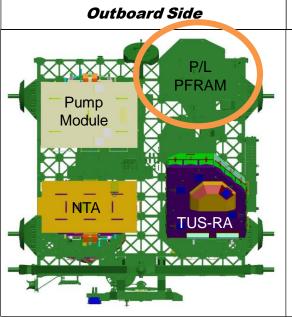


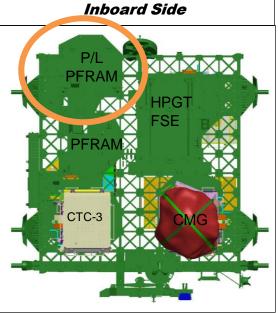
### **Express Logistics Carriers Overview**



#### Payload Locations Circled

ELC-1
Port lower
2 Nadir payload sites

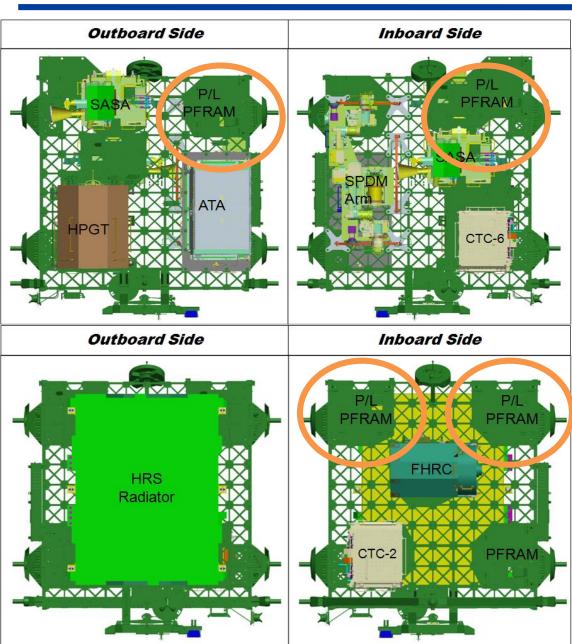




ELC-2 Starboard upper 2 Zenith payload sites



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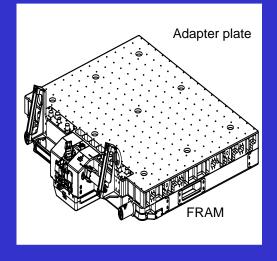
ELC-3
Port upper
2 Zenith payload sites

ELC-4
Starboard lower
2 Nadir payload sites



## Express Pallet Adapter (ExPA) Assembly (GFE)

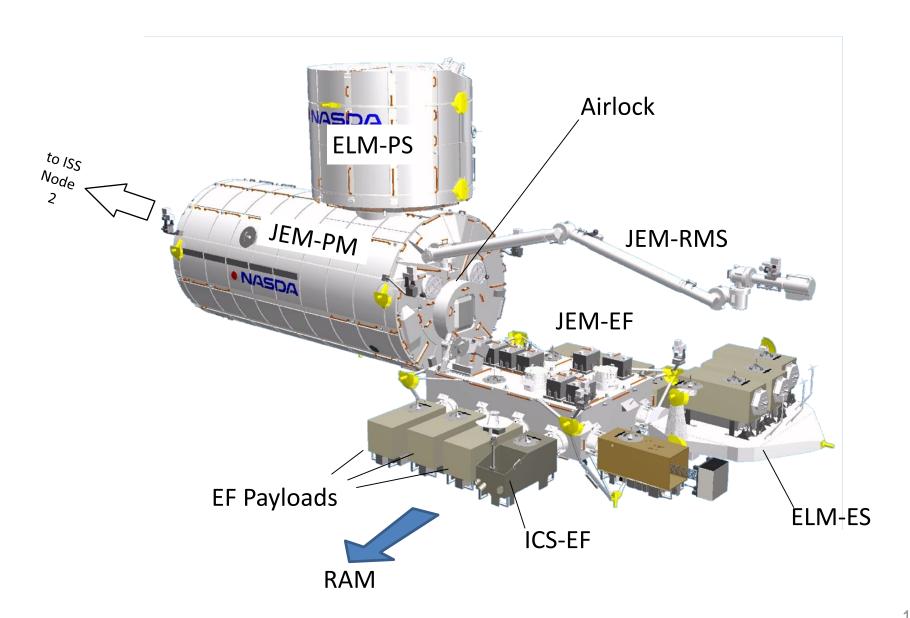
# Express Pallet Adapter (ExPA) Assembly



ExPA overall Mass	255 lb
ExPA overall dimension	46.05" x 47" x 13.06" (H)
ExPA payload carrying capability	34" x 46" x 49" (H) and 500 lb"
Payload electrical interface	Power(120VDC & 28VDC): Four NATC connectors Data (1553, Ethernet): Six NATC connectors
Payload thermal interface	Active heating, passive cooling
Payload structural interface	2.756" X 2.756" Grid with 250-28 UNF Locking Inserts and 1.625" diameter Shear Boss Provisions
EVA compatibility	EVA handrail provisions
EVR compatibility	All EVR interfaces on ExPA



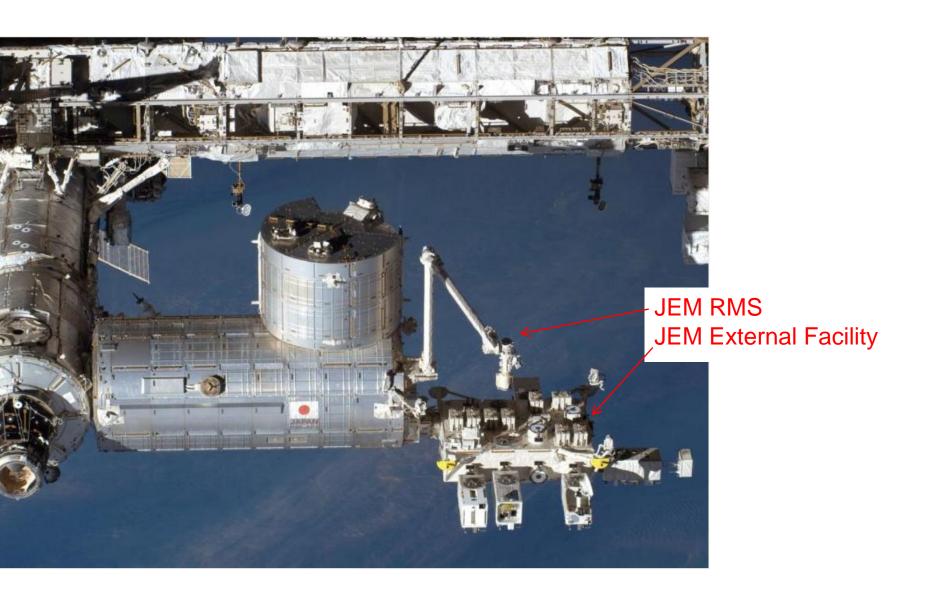
#### Japanese Experiment Module Exposed Facility (JEM EF) Overview





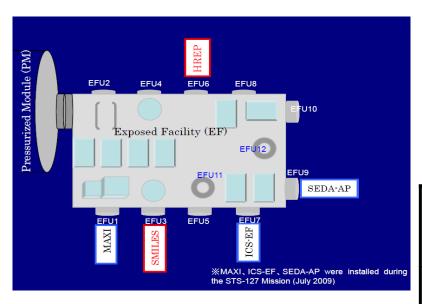
## Japanese Experiment Module - Kibo

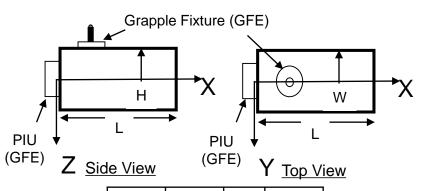




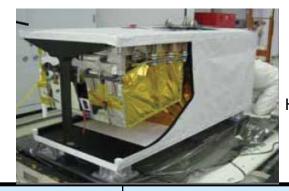


#### **JEM EF External Research Accommodations**





Axis	mm	ft	inch
W	800	2	7.50
Н	1000	3	3.37
L	1850	6	0.83



NASA/DOD HREP payload

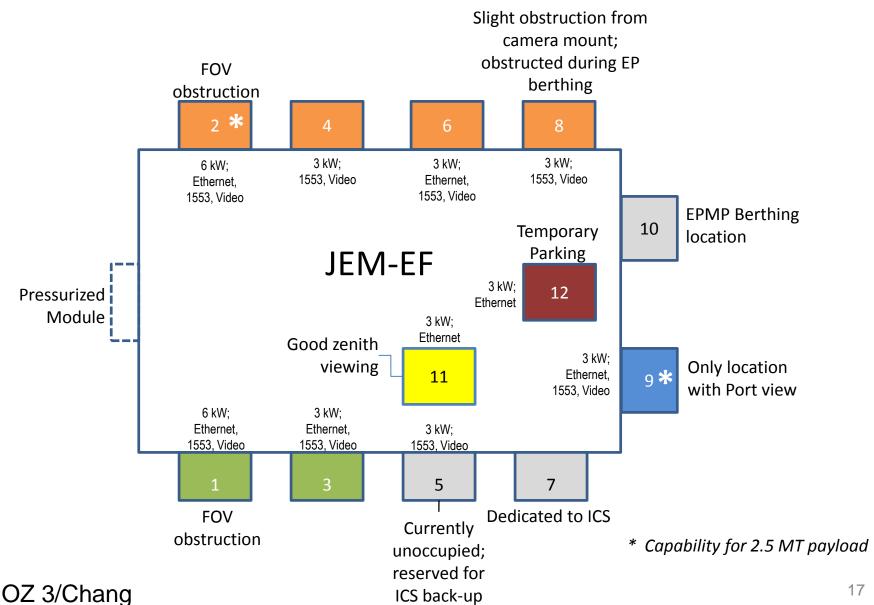
Mass capacity	550 kg (1,150 lb) at standard site 2,250 kg (5,550 lb) at large site		
Volume	1.5 m <sup>3</sup>		
Power	3-6 kW, 113 – 126 VDC		
Thermal	3-6 kW cooling		
Low-rate data	1 Mbps (MIL-STD-1553, two way)		
Medium-rate data	1EEE-802.3(10BASE-T, two way) *		
High-rate data	43 Mbps (shared, one way downlink)		
Sites available to NASA	5 sites		

<sup>•</sup> Ethernet bus is tested to 100BASE-T capacity.

Upgrade to 100BASE-T is being worked by JAXA



#### JEM EF EFU Location Overview



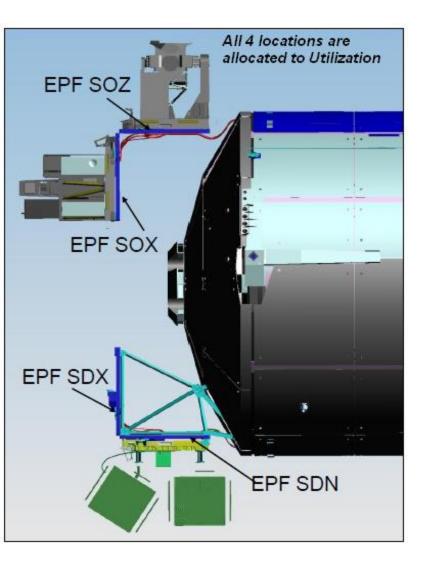


## **JEM-EF Detailed Accommodations by Site**

Location	Viewing	Payload Size	Description / Notes	Power	Data
1	Ram, Nadir, Zenith	500 kg	Ram field of View (FOV) obstruction by JEM module	6 kW	Ethernet, 1553, Video
3	Ram, Nadir, Zenith	500 kg	Clear view	3 kW	Ethernet, 1553, Video
5	Ram, Nadir, Zenith	500 kg	ICS System back-up site (negotiable?)	3 kW	1553, Video
7	Ram, Nadir, Zenith	500 kg	ICS-dedicated	-	-
9	Port, Zenith, Nadir	2.5 MT	Best volumetrically for large payloads (up to 2.5 MT), but not necessarily the best viewing	3 kW	Ethernet, 1553, Video
2	Wake, Nadir, Zenith	2.5 MT	Can hold large payloads, but has an FOV obstruction by JEM module	6 kW	Ethernet, 1553, Video
4	Wake, Nadir, Zenith	500 kg	Clear view	3 kW	1553, Video
6	Wake, Nadir, Zenith	500 kg	Clear view	3 kW	Ethernet, 1553, Video
8	Wake, Nadir, Zenith	500 kg	Obstruction during EP berthing, slight obstruction from camera mount	3 kW	1553, Video
10	Wake, Nadir, Zenith	500 kg	EPMP berthing site	-	-
11	Zenith only	500 kg	Good Zenith viewing	3 kW	Ethernet
12	Zenith only	500 kg	Temporary stowage location	3 kW	Ethernet



### **Columbus EF Overview**



Location	Viewing	Payload Size	Power	Data
SOZ	Zenith		1.25 kW at	
SOX	Ram	226 kg +	1.25 kw at 120 VDC	Ethernet,
SDX	Ram	CEPA	2.5 kW max	1553
SDN	Nadir			



## Columbus EF





## **ISS Cargo Vehicles**





Progress Cargo Capacity
(Roscosmos, The Russian
Federal Space Agency)





Cargo Capacity 3,100 kg ascent

HTV (JAXA)

Cargo Capacity 5,500 kg



## Payload Allowable Up-Mass & Volume Summary Table

Attach Payload Location	Allowable Payload Weight (including Flight Support Equipment)	Accommodation Weight (including adapter plate)	Total Weight	Payload Volume (W x H x L)
HTV Exposed Pallet (JEM EF Payload)	979 Lb (445 Kg)	121 Lb (55 Kg)	1100 Lb (500 Kg)	31.5" x 39.4" x 72.8" (800mm x 1000mm x 1850 mm)
HTV Exposed Pallet (ExPA, CEPA Payload)	See ExPA & CEPA payload specification for ELC & CEF	See ExPA & CEPA payload specification for ELC & CEF	*See ExPA & CEPA payload specification for ELC & CEF	*See ExPA & CEPA payload specification for ELC & CEF
ELC (ExPA)	490 Lb (222 Kg)	250 Lb (114 Kg)	740 Lb (336 Kg)	34" x 49" X 46" (863mm x 1244mm x 1168 mm)
Columbus (CEPA)	388 Lb (176Kg)	250 Lb (114 Kg)	638 Lb (290 Kg)	34" x 49" X 46" (863mm x 1244mm x 1168 mm)
JEM-EF	979 Lb (445 Kg)	121 Lb (55 Kg)	1100 Lb (500 Kg)	31.5" x 39.4" x 72.8" (800mm x 1000mm x 1850 mm)

<sup>\*</sup> Location constraint applies in HTV Exposed Pallet

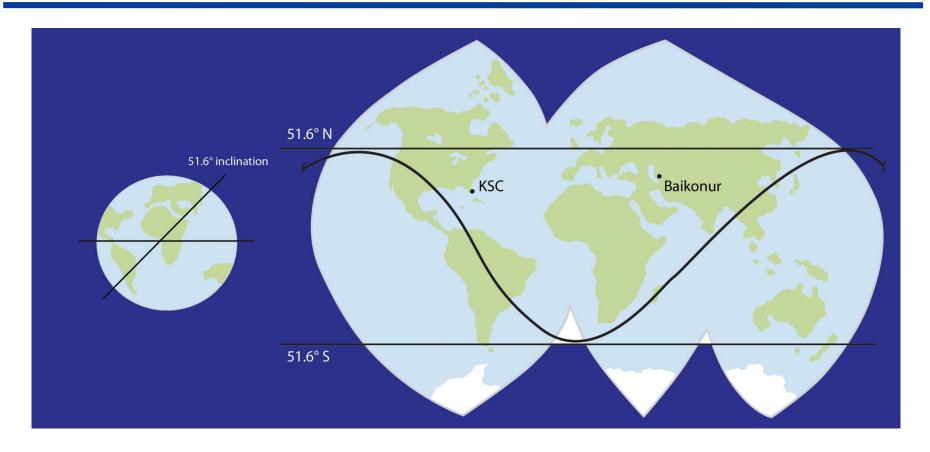


# **Upgrades In Work**

Enhanced Processor and Integrated Communications (EPIC) Project	Phase A will upgrade the three Command and Control (C&C) MDMs and the two Guidance, Navigation, & Control (GN&C) MDMs.	
	Phase B will upgrade the two Payload MDMs, and add Ethernet support for the C&C and Payload MDMs.	
Air to Ground High Rate Communications System	Increase data rates internally and on the RF link 300 Mbps downlink, 7/25 Mbps uplink	
(HRCS) Project	Combine audio and video on orbit	
	Provide two way, high quality audio	
	Open the door to internet protocol communications	
	Open the forward link to multiple users	
	Allow for the capability of transmitting & recording HDTV	
On Orbit External Wireless High Rate	100 Mbps 2-way Ethernet capability	
	1 Mbps 1553 capability	
	Up to 4 antennas attached to EVA handrails on US Lab	



### ISS as a Platform for Earth Science

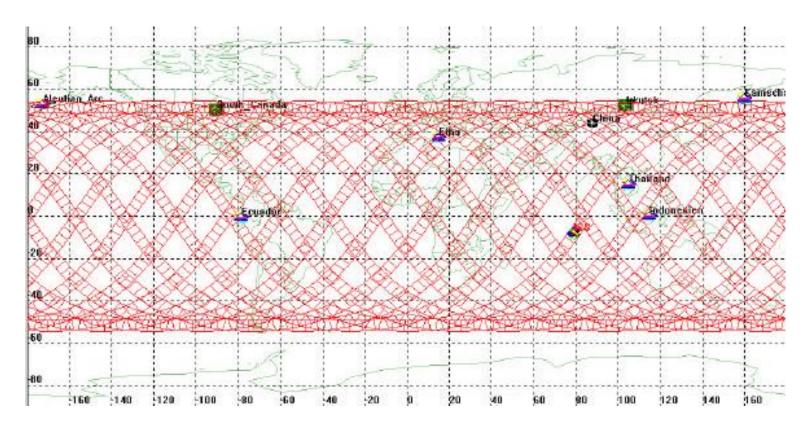


All geographic locations between 51.6 North and South latitude can be observed NADIR pointing

Provides coverage of 85% of the Earth's surface and 95% of the world's populated landmass every 1-3 days



#### ISS as a Platform for Earth Science



ISS coverage in 24 hrs for a 70°-swath optical payload. (Courtesy of ESA)

Processing lighting (changes with subsequent passes)
Well-suited for test bed concepts with hardware change out
and upgrades



# ISS Attitude Torque Equilibrium Attitude (TEA) & Wobble Oscillation Description

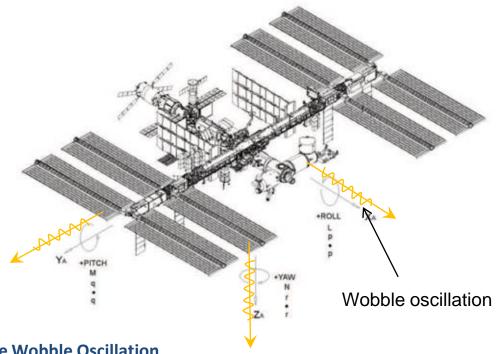
For Stage configurations (i.e.; no Orbiter or Orbiter sized vehicle docked on the ISS) in the foreseeable future, the predicted TEA ranges

are:

Roll: -1.0 ~ +3.0 deg

Pitch: -7.0 ~ +2.0 deg

Yaw: -15 ~ +15 deg.



#### **Momentum Manager Controller Peak to Peak Attitude Wobble Oscillation**

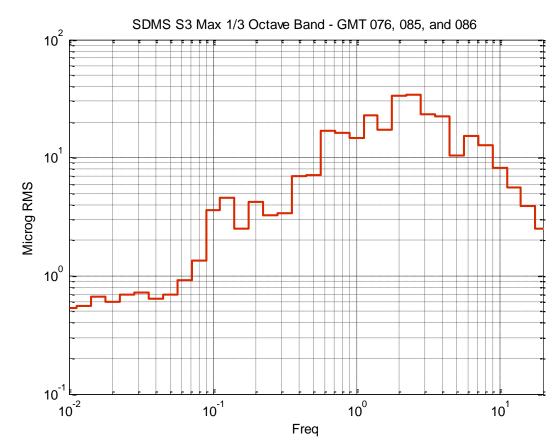
Performance Descriptions		Peak to Peak Attitude Oscillations Per Orbit			Peak Attitude Variation from Steady-State Orbit-Average Attitude		
		Pitch (Y)	Yaw (Z)	Roll (X)	Pitch (Y)	Yaw (Z)	
	(deg)	(deg)	(deg)	(deg)	(deg)	(deg)	
Non-Micro-Gravity (Assembly Stages) Non-Propulsive (Momentum Manager)							
Attitude Control Performance Requirement	10.0	10.0	10.0	+/- 5	+/- 5	+/- 5	
Micro-Gravity (Assembly Complete) Non-Propulsive (Momentum Manager)							
Attitude Control Performance Requirement	7.0	7.0	7.0	+/- 3.5	+/- 3.5	+/- 3.5	
Typical Steady-State Performance of Minimum CMG momentum oscillation							
Momentum Manager Controller	1.6	1.6	2.0	+/- 0.8	+/- 0.8	+/- 1	
Typical Steady-State Performance of Minimum Attitude oscillation							
Momentum Manager Controller	1.6	0.4	0.2	+/- 0.8	+/- 0.2	+/- 0.1	
Typical Steady-State Performance of Minimum CMG momentum & Attitude oscillation Blended							
Momentum Manager Controller	1.6	0.7	1.2	+/- 0.8	+/- 0.35	+/- 0.6	



# ISS Quiescent Mode Truss Vibratory Environment For External Payload Pointing Instrument

Data measured on ISS S3 truss

- ISS quiescent mode = No thruster firings, dockings, EVA, or robotics operations
- Typical response, not worst case
- Maximum per octave band
  - SDMS S3B1N on-orbit accelerometer data.
  - Snapshot of 3 10-minute data takes
  - All data taken on March 16, 26, and 27, Stbd SARJ Rotating, exercise, 3 crew.



ULF-4 analysis concluded peak ELC rotations on the order of 0.03 degrees (quiescent mode)



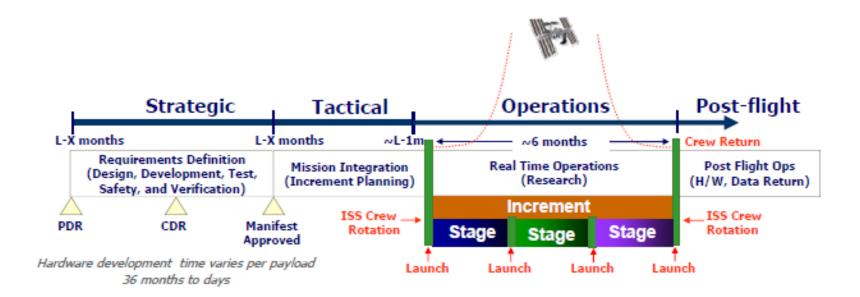
# ISS Contamination Environment Description For Truss Attached Payload

- The International Space Station provides an exceptionally clean environment to external payloads and science assets
- External contamination control requirements limit contaminant deposition to 130Å/year on external payloads and ISS sensitive surfaces
  - Specified levels are lower than any previous space station (Mir, Skylab, Salyut) by several orders of magnitude
- Measurements of contaminant deposition on ISS returned hardware have demonstrated that requirements are met at ISS payload sites

Experiment	Side	Requirement (130Å/year)	Measured
MISSE 2	ram	520 Å (4 years)	50 Å
	wake	520 Å (4 years)	500 Å
Node 1 nadir window cover	nadir	390 Å (3 years)	50 Å



#### **ISS Payload Integration Process**

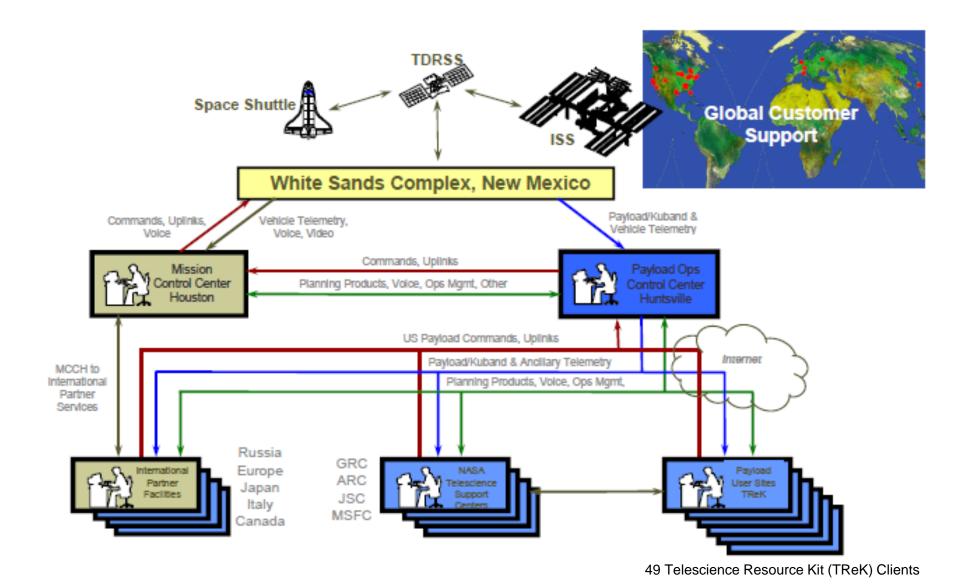


#### ISS provides:

- Launch to ISS
- Installation on ISS at identified site
- On-orbit utilities and operations support, including crew or robotics time (if needed)
- Data handling and delivery
- End-of-life removal and disposal



#### Payload Operations Integration Center Interfaces



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#### Acronyms

ACES Atomic Clock Ensemble in Space

AMS Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer

ASI Italian Space Agency

ASIM Atmospheric Space Interactions Monitor

ATA Ammonia Tank Assembly

BCDU Battery Charge Discharge Unit

CALET Calorimetric Electron Telescope

C&DH Command and Data Handling

CEF Columbus Exposed Facility

CEPA Columbus External Payload Adapter

CMG Control Moment(um) Gyro(scope)

COL-EPF Columbus Exposed Payload Facility

CSA Canadian Space Agency

CTC Cargo Transport Container

DPP Dextre Pointing Package

ELC External Logistics Carrier

ELM-ES Experiment Logistics Module-Exposed Section

ELM-PS Experiment Logistics Module – Pressurized Section

EF Exposed Facility

EFU Exposed Facility Unit

EPF Exposed Payload Facility

EPMP Exposed Pallet – Multi-Purpose

ESA European Space Agency

EuTEF European Technology Exposure Facility

EVA Extravehicular Activity

EVR Extravehicular Robotics

ExPA EXPRESS Pallet Adapter



### Acronyms (Continued)

FHRC Flex Hose Rotary Coupler

FOV Field of View

FSE Flight Support Equipment HPGT High Pressure Gas Tank

HREP Hyperspectral Imager for the Coastal Ocean (HICO)/Remote Atmospheric and Ionospheric Detection System

(RAIDS) Experiment Payload

HRS Heat Rejection Subsystem

HTV H-II Transfer Vehicle (Japanese resupply vehicle)

ICS-EF Inter-Satellite Communication System – Exposed Facility

ISS International Space Station

JAXA Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency

JEM Japanese Experiment Module

JEM-EF Japanese Experimental Module-Exposed Facility

JEM-PM Japanese Experimental Module-Pressurized Module

Kg kilogram

LAN Local Area Network

LEE Latching End EffectorMAXI Monitor All-sky X-ray Image

MCE Multi-mission Consolidated Equipment

MIM Multi-Increment Manifest

MiPROM Multi-Increment Payload Resupply and Outfitting Manifest

MISSE Materials International Space Station Experiment NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NTA Nitrogen Tank Assembly

ODAR Obsolescence Driven Avionics Re-Design

OPALS Optical Planetary Access Link for Space Station

PCU Plasma Contactor Unit

PFRAM Passive Flight Releasable Attach Mechanism



#### Acronyms (Continued)

PIU Power Interface Unit

P/L Payload

PRELSE Platform for Retrievable Experiments in a Leo Space Environment

R2D2 Robotic Refueling Dexterous Demonstration using Dextre

RMS Remote Manipulator System

SAGE III /Hexapod Stratospheric Aerosol and Gas Experiment III w/ Hexapod

SARJ Solar Array Rotary Joint

SASA S-Band Antenna Support Assembly Testbed

SCAN Space Communication And Navigation Testbed

SDN Starboard Deck Nadir

SDX Starboard Deck X-Direction

SEDA Space Environmental Data Acquisition Equipment

SMILES Superconducting Sub-Millimeter Wave Limb Emission Sounder

SOLAR Solar Observatory Grouping

SOX Starboard Overhead X-Direction

SOZ Starboard Overhead Zenith

SPDM Special Purpose Dexterous Manipulator

Stbd Starboard

Sx SpaceX (US commercial resupply vehicle)

TBD To Be Determined

TBR To Be Resolved

TEA Torque Equilibrium Attitude

TUS-RA Trailing Umbilical System-Reel Assembly

ULF Utilization & Logistics Flight

U.S. United States

USOS U.S. Operational Segment